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The meeting was called to order at 9.35 a.m.

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Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by Jamaica (A/52/233 and Add.1)

1. **The Chairman** invited the Committee to consider a request by Jamaica for the inclusion of an additional item entitled "Admission of the International Seabed Authority to membership in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund", contained in document A/52/233 and Add.1. The representative of Jamaica had asked to address the Committee in accordance with rule 43 of the rules of procedure.

2. *At the invitation of the Chairman, Ms. Durrant (Jamaica) took a place at the Committee table.*

3. **Ms. Durrant** (Jamaica) said that an explanatory memorandum in document A/52/233 provided the background to her delegation's request, namely, the decision of the Assembly of the International Seabed Authority to request the Secretary-General of the Authority to take the necessary steps to seek membership in the Fund, in accordance with the provisions of article 11, paragraph 3, of the Agreement concerning the Relationship between the United Nations and the International Seabed Authority (A/52/260). As stated in document A/52/233/Add.1, the delegation of Guyana wished to be associated with the request.

4. *The Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly should include the additional item in the agenda.*

5. *The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be allocated to the Fifth Committee.*

The meeting rose at 9.45 a.m.